PRINCE WINS BY SIX INCHES.

Remarkably Close Pinish of the Greatest Bicycle Race on Record.

A WILD AND EXCITING SCENE.

The Englishman Captures the Prize by One of the Most Tremendous Spurts in the History of Cycling.

The greatest bicycle-race ever run in Amer-Ica, or any other country for that matter, terminated at the Coliseum last night in a victory for Jack Prince, the unbeaten English champion. It was a match race be-tween Prince and Ned Reading, the phenomenal soldier rider, who, although beaten, can derive some consolation from the fact that his achievement was never before equalled on a wheel. It was for the world's champlenship, six days, eight hours a day, for \$1,000 a side and the entire gate receipts, and was indisputably the greatest contest that

ever took place in the history of cycling.

In testimony of the unparalleled interest taken in the Titanic struggle it is only essential to state that there were fully eight thous-and people on hand to witness the thrilling Every seat was occupied, and every ch of available space in the capacious romenades held its excited and cheering i ped. The amphitheatre was also densely packed, while hundreds and hundreds of mer boys fined the walls around entire vast structure. Such and boys lined the walls around the entire vast structure. Such mother assemblage of delighted humanity has seldom been witnessed in any western city. The whole affair was most admirably conducted, and the high-toned quality of the balk of the tremendous concourse reflects the fullest and most concourse reflects the fullest and most proposed to the control of the proposed for the control of the proposed for the control of merited credit upon the management, Messrs.
Max and Al Roeder and Lieutenant Abercromie, the backers of the two contestants.
The Second Infantry band was again in attendance, accupying a semicircle upon the stage, and the choice programme rendered lent un additional entrancement to the cohilerating scene.

As early as 6:30 the people began to pour Into the Collicum in an incessant stream. Each arriving cable car was laden to the fullest capacity with people, and for the period of an hour there was no cessation in the scrambling and jostling throngs crowding cagerly forward for admission. Truly it was a tremendous concourse, and until as late as 9 o'clock the street in front of the building

9 o'clock the street in front of the building was black with people compelled to await their turn to get within the gates.

And all to see a bicycle race. Verily, there is a magnetism in athletic sports, that no other amusement can awaken. This was amply demonstrated by both the quantity and quality of last night's unprecedented

Ladies were there by the hundred, and their gay toilets and flower topped hats gave a pleasing effect to the grand scene. But the race.

Up to a quarter past ten there was but litthe vast crowd, but at the juncture mentioned ns the great struggle began to near the wind up, the people began to grow nervous, and occasional spasmodic bursts of appliause filled the building. The riders, though, apparently imbibed no inspiration from these plaudits. Each man, with a countenance pale as death, and a furtive, eager look in his eyes, kept steadfastly at work, jogging along at the tireless pace that had marked their progress through the long day. Twenty minutes after 10 the referee

cautioned the riders about observing the rules governing such contests in the final spurt, and instantaneously the building was in the midst of a veritable pandemonium. Men, women and boys stood up in their seats and elled until it seemed that the tremendous police hurried frantically along their repective patrols, alarmed lest the overwhelm ing excitement would culminate in some un rseen calamity. The trainers and backers and other officials were helpless midst the bedlam of not inharmonious sound, and the picture was one that will live long in the memory of every person so fortunate as to be a looker-on.

Prince and Reading were both wild-eyed and nervous, but at the uproarious signal they bent low over their glistening wheels and one of the most marvelous spurts ever witnessed upon a race course began. Reading was perceptibly rattied, and while he rode like some fabulous bird upon the wing, his gait was wobbly and uncertain after him like of death, and on the upper turn of the next to the last lap was neek and neck with the in domitable soldier, and in another second hi

The noise that here burst upon the throng was something actually frightful. The of ficial time keeper, A. B. Hudson, and the referee stood on chairs opposite the tape line, and as the final seconds were rolled off, the frenzy of the spectators knew no bounds. Down the home stretch came the riders Prince a nose ahead of Reading, and both plying nerve and sinew and fibre until it looked as if they must be dashed to pieces but surely gaining upon the Englishman, and when they shot across the scratch the dis-tance of half a foot, not an inch more, separated the front of their whirling wheels. But that was sufficient, and Prince small vatange, won the race, amidst probably the wildest scene of confusion and excite ment over witnessed upon any similar occa-

sable form was seen cleaving the air in the

Once across the line, and Prince relaxed his death-like grip upon the handles of his machine and fell from his wheel, but fortunately into the arms of his vigilant trainers, in a dead faint. Reading, too, was ready to lrop from sheer exhaustion, and both men had to be cardied to their tents.

The awarding of the race, and the presenta-

tion of the superb diamond medal, donated by the generous management, to the victorious Prince, occupied but a few mements longer. and then the great event was history, Jack (Kinneman, Reading's faithful and efficient handler, and Charlie Ashinger, who performed a like office for Prince, both did their work well and deserve every praise. Ashinger, on Prince's restoration to con-sciousness, grabbed his man, and, elevating him to his shoulders, trotted around the course amidst the cheers of the struggling crowd. Reading's race was a great one and it is too bad that both could not have won. The world's record was beaten by 3miles and 1

The score:

ifth... Total ... RECAPITULATION Laps

Milles.

\$2,955.25, while the soldier received but \$100 Standing of the Clubs.

St. Paul. Kansas City 11, Milwaukee S.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., May 17 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- Following is the result MILWAUKER B B O A E Smith, If]

Burns, m. I W. Hoover, rf. Totals ... 8 17 24 11 2 Totals.....11 13 27 18 6 BY INNINGS. $\begin{smallmatrix} 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 - 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 6 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 1 & - 11 \end{smallmatrix}$ Earned runs Milwaukee 2, Kansas City 2, Two best hits Alberta, Shoch Stearns 2, N.

Smith 2. Pears 2. Double plays—Stearns. N. Smith, W. Hoover, Stearns. N. Smith, Manning, Stearns. Bases on balls—By Davies 6, by Flanagan 2, by Pears I. Hit by pitched ball—Smith. Struck out—By Davies 3, by Flanagan 2, by Pears 5. Passed balls—Westlake I. Wild pitches—Davies 3, Flanagan 1, Pears I. Time—2:15. Umpire—Hurst.

National League. New York 0 0 1 0 0 1 1 0 3 - 6 Cleveland 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 - 2

Hits-New York 11, Cleveland 6, Errors-Seveland 2. Batteries-Russie and Buck-Gilks and Zimmer. Umpires-Powers and Zoeharias. AT BROOKLYN.

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Philadelphia....0 2 0 0 0 0 4 0 0-6 Cincinnati......I 1 2 0 0 0 0 0 0-4 Hits-Philadelphia 13, Cincinnati 6, Errors Philadelphia 3, Cincinnati 2. Batteries Vickery and Clements, Duryea and Keenan. Umpire-McQuade. AT BOSTON.

Hits—Boston 14, Chicago 9, Errors—Boston 5, Chicago 10, Batteries—Getzein and Hardie, Nagle and Kittridge. Umpire-McDermott.

Players' League.

AT NEW YORK. New York.....0 0 3 0 2 1 0 7 0-13 Buffalo......0 2 2 0 0 0 0 1 1-6 Hits-New York 15, Buffalo 9. Errors-New York 6, Buffalo 7. Batteries-Crane and Ewing, Darrick and Mack. Umpires-

Brooklyn......1 0 6 0 0 1 0 0 0—8 Chicago.....0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0—2 hicago0 0 0 0 2 0 Hits—Brooklyn 9, Chicago 9, Brooklyn 2, Chicago 4. Batteries—Van Haltren and Cook, King, Barston and Farrell. Batteries-Van Umpires - Gaffney and Barnes. AT BOSTON.

Boston.........0 2 0 1 0 0 2 0 0—5 Cleveland.......5 1 0 3 0 1 0 3 *—13 Hits-Boston 7, Cleveland 17. Errors-Boston 6, Cleveland 11. Batteries-Gumbert and Kelly, O'Brien and Sutcliffe. Umpires—Knight and Jones.

AT PHILADELPHIA. Philadelphia . . . 2 0 0 0 3 0 2 3 0—10 Pittsburg . . . 0 1 1 4 0 0 0 0 1—7 Hits—Philadelphia 11, Pittsburg 11. Er-rors—Philadelphia 3, Pittsburg 4, Batteries —Knell and Milligan, Staley and Carroll. Umpires -Matthews and Cunning.

American Association. AT BROOKLYN. Brooklyn 9, Toledo 8.

AT SYRACUSE. Syracuse 5, St. Louis 0. AT ROCHESTER.

Rochester 7, Columbus 6. AT PHILADELPHIA.

Athletics 5, Louisville 8. Ball Game This Afternoon. The local association ball club will play a

postponed game at Association park this afternoon with Sloux City. Inks will pitch for the locals. Postponed Games.

Western association games at St. Paul, Des Moines and Minneapolis were postponed on account of rain.

Amateur Games. ULYSSES, Neb., May 17 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-The second game between Ulysses and Lincoln was played today, ending in a victory for the Lincolns by a score of 20 to 3. The game was called after the sixth inning on account of rain. The features of the game were Carr's home run and the

for home tonight. Ontario's Great Feat. Washington, May 17.-S. S. Howland's high jumping horse, Ontario, today made a jump of seven feet, this breaking his own

and all records.

patting of George Hubanks. The club leaves

THE SPEED RING.

Gravesend Races GRAVESEND, May 17 .- Summary of today's

mees: Mile and one-sixteenth - Fordham won, Eon second, Gregory third. Time-1:51%. One mile-Burlington won, Cynosure secnd, Now or Never third. Time-1:4014. Five-eighths of a mile-Grey Rock won, Chatham second, Miss Ransom third. Time

Mile and one-eighth—Grey Lawn won, ladge second, Vengeur third. Time—2:0114. Five-eights of a mile—Vagabond won, ord Harry second, Black Rock third. Time Three-fourths of a mile-Raymond won, second, Lemon Blossom third. Time

Louisville Races.

LOUISVILLE, May 17 .- Summary of to-day's races:

Mile and one sixteenth-Cecil B won, Blair econd, Dollikens third. Time-1:53%. Five-eighths of a mile-Georgetown won, Dundee second, Huineme third. Time -

Mile and one-eighth-English Lady won, leckner second, Clamor third.

mile-Silver King won, Julia W second, Buckthorn third. Time—1:46%. One mile—Mamie Fonso won, Birthday second, Macaulay third. Time—1:45%. Beemer Races.

Beemen, Neb., May 17.—[Special Telegram o The Bee.]—Summary of today's races: Half mile-Pansy Blossom won, Black Jack Time-56 seconds. ile, purse \$200-Lady Hunter won, Billy the Kid second. Time-53 seconds.

HOGS IN TRANSIT. Filthiness of the Pens in Which They are Fed.

CHICAGO, May 17 .- [Special Telegram to

THE BEE.]-H. M. Jordan of this city has just returned from a trip from Iowa. He was so surprised with what he saw in the cattle pens along the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railway that he makes the following statement: "Coming from Omaha to Lincoln on this road I was aroused at a little town between the two cities by a frightful clamor and squealing in the per near the depot, where there were probably one hundred hogs. They were tearing at some dead object, covered with blood and entrails from head to tail, and devouring, as nearly as I could make out, a dead mule. I asked the conductor what it neant. 'That's nothing,' he said, 'it's done all along the road. All the refuse and dead animals in each village are dumped into these shipping pens to be eaten by the hogs." After that," says Mr. Jordan, "I observed each station as we passed. They were all the same. When there were no hogs there was a collection of bones that told the same thing was practiced. At some places I think a car might have been loaded with these remains of horses, cows, mules and other animals. At a town called Anita the stench coming from the pens was overpowering and the struggle of the hogs to get at the dead objects so revolting that I could not look at it. All these hogs, I am told, are shipped directly to Chicago,1

Health Commissioner Wickersham was told of this statement this morning. "Its the old story," he said. "What can I say without getting onto the old subject. We try to protect the records, and the state says 'hands off; we'll do it.' Hogs, undoubtedly, are naturally scavengers, but choicen may be distributed in this manner, and when there is no bad effects from such things it is because the dead animals that one exten are mals that are eaten are not diseased. The paretice is a common one, but hogs coming here should be inspected none the less care-

fully for that reason. Each one should examined, and while on the hoof, and if the inspectors don't do it they are neglecting

'Can the department take any action in a case of this kind The state is doing the inspection. I only The state is denig the inspection. I only hope the disease may not be introduced by diseased hogs that may be badly infected. Hogs eating refuse of this kind certainly would be diseased if the dead animals were The greatest satisfaction we can get out of the practice alluded to is that there are at present very few diseased cattle in the north-

THE PRESBYTERIANS. Ruport of the Committee on Revision

of the Confession of Faith. Saratoga, N. Y., May 17.-When the ses-

sion of the Presbyterian General assembly opened today the committee on the revision of the confession of faith and the catechism reported that they had completed their task on confession and asked to be continued for that on the catechism. This was done, The board of relief for disabled ministers

and widows and orphans of deceased ministers presented its annual report. The number of beneficiaries on the roll is 624, the income of the board from all sources was \$159,000 for the year and the expenditures \$144,000, leaving a balance of \$15,000. A resolution was adopted urging the

churches to raise not less than \$150,000. The report of the committee on methods, making changes in the confession and constitution, was taken up. Dr. Crosby said as to the method of proposing changes, that this must always be by the assembly, but the overture must always be from presbyteries. The report provides elear and just and simple way of avoiding anarchy. It shows that we do not mean to anarchy. It shows that we do not mean to break the law, but propose to fix the inter-pretation of that which has been differently understood, so avoiding confusion. No ec-clesiastical body could bind itself forever without proclaiming that it was wiser than it

ever would be afterwards.

Rev. R. M. Patterson of Philadelphia said that presbyteries as well as assemblies have no legislative power that can set aside or medify-the authority of the scripture. He proposed to bring up a rule that hereafter any article asked for by two-thirds of the presbyteries, or proposed by the general assembly and approved by two-thirds of the presbyteries shall be thereupon enacted by the general assembly before it shall become obligatory ou the churches. We may have legal, but no Pres-byterian right to make the change proposed in the report. Were we to do so it might be possible for a minority of the church to change both the confession and discipline. The report does not leave the assembly the ministerial act of passing down amendments to presbyteries, but one-third of these pres-byteries may include a majority of all churches and members, and yet would be powerful under this report to prevent the minority from making vital changes. Besides the confession can under this report be altered more easily than can the discipline.

A LITTLE FRICTION.

The Knights and the Federation of

Labor Critical of Each Other. Рицареврига, May 17.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-Regarding the possibility of warfare between the American Federation of Labor and the Knights of Labor, General Secretary P. J. McGuire of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, said today there was no bitterness on the side of the federation, and if there was any at all it must have come from the other organization-the knights. Continuing he said: "The statement made

in the recent appeal of the Knights of Labor for assistance, which says the carpenters went into the strike in Chicago without hav-ing made any provision for a fight and that they had no money, is absolutely false. I say the same of another statement to the effect that the strike has only begun. You can see for yourself from this that the carpenters of Chicago are in good shape."

Mr. McGuire showed the reporter a printed list giving the names and addresses of 670 employing carpenters in that city, with the number of men employed by each, who had conceded the strikers' demands prior to May 10. He also said that twenty more had given

We had made all the necessary arrange ments," continued the general secretary, "and have supported all our own men, besides a large number of non-union men, but we do not propose to look out for men who belong to another organization. If they re-quire assistance we think they should go to their own people for it. "It is true that in Chicago and Philadelphia the knights have stuck to us, but in New

York they have stabbed us." Nebraska and Iowa Pensions. Washington, May 17 .- [Special Telegram

to THE BEE.] -The following pensions were granted today to Nebraskans: Original in valid-Jonathan R. Bing, Lincoln; Mark Thomas, Palisade; Otto Grube, Franklin; Henry Tepner, Royal. Increase-Peter Bourlier, Nebraska City; Random Foss, Or Elias Sage, Plattsmouth; Nathaniel leans; Julin Bartlett. Original invalid-Hans A. Grove,

Clear Lake; George W. Steele, Carlisle; Peter Jackson, Keokuk; John B. F. Griffin, Iowa City; Jasper Jasper, Trimble; James M. Carothers, Livingstone; Winifred J. Clark, Mount Ayr; Milton Camp, Hesper; William A. Houchins, Storm Lake; Andrew Cagley, Vinton; Benjamin F. Swangel, Forest Home; Bernhart Fahling, Guttenburg; Thomas Reed, Garden Grove; Charles F. Russell, Fairfield; Rufus B. Tucker, Coon Rapids; Lovy Fry, Prairie City; Joseph Vos, Orange City; Peter Johnson, East Des Meines; George O. Peter Johnson, East Des Meines; George O. Brown, Mason City; William Riley Brown, Oskaloosa; William N. Hunt, Peoria; Isaac W. Baird, Marengo; Andrew J. Bunch, David City; John W. Kueff, Centerville; Francis M. Conner, Amelia; A. Hughes Frazier, Coralville; Major A. Victor, Montezuma; Asa Clark, Batavia; Welcom B. French, Avery; Melvin Stone, Des Moines; John P. Albertson, Diff; Lewis C. Bish, Newton; Peter Cross, Spencer; Andrew Martin, Colfax; Cross, Spencer; Andrew Martin, Colfax; Nathan J. Moore, Birmingham; John Doly, Maxwell; Francis Loffriener, Sanborn; Rowlin I. Parkhurst, Hamburgh; Jacob Wright, Oakland Mills: Andrew Y. McDonald, Du-Original widows, etc.—Cottlania, f Elwood Hollingsworth, Carbon; Frederick, father of George F. Fishner, Mus

Wyoming Cattlemen Happy. BUFFALO, Wyo., May 17 .- | Special to THE BEE.]-The big cattlemen of northern Wyoming are elated at the prospects of an abundant grass crop on the range this season Following a dry and comparatively open winter, with no losses to stock of any kind, the range men are still further gratified by he visitation of frequent and copious rains Grass on the great stretches of public pastur age in this section is now several inches high and promises a better growth than for six years past. Three days ago there was a retwenty-four hours, and today it is raining, which about describes the programme for the past month.

A prominent stockman stated yesterday that twenty-five to thirty thousand. that twenty-five to thirty thousand head of Texas steers, now on the trail, would be turned loose on the northern Wyoming range this season. The Murphy Cattle company and Stoddard and Howard Live Stock company will bring in the largest herds. The spring or calf-branding round-up for the northern district is to begin on the 20th, to be followed by a few early beef shipments

Canaday Will Resign.

Washington, May 17.—Colonel W. P. Canaday, sergeant-at-arms of the senate, has decided to resign the position and it is said tonight that his resignation will be communi-cated to the senate Monday. Colonel Canaday will remain in Washington to represent the interests of several large corporations at the national capital. He has been sergeant-at-arms of the senate since 1881. There are two prominent candidates for the position—ex-Representative Valentine of Nebraska, and ex-Sheriff Leeds of Philadelphia.

Killed By an Insanc Man. FREEPORT, Ill., May 17.-Jacob S. Reisnger, who for many years has been owner of the poor farm, was attacked by an insane man this morning and killed with an axo. The murderer is at large.

NEBRASKA NEWS.

Divorant in Short Order, NEBRASKA CITT, Neb., May 17.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Another sensational and lightning divorce case is the town talk today. About midnight last night Mrs. Puhek, wife of Dr. Puhek of the Nebraska City dispensary, sought police protection for terself and baby, claiming the doctor had driven her from the house. She was given shelter at the Morton house. This morning her attorney applied in the district court for a divorce, and at 2 o'clock Judge Chapman granted the decree, custody of the child and \$25 per month alimony. She accused the doctor of kicking and beating her and calling her vile names, all of which he denied but did not oppose the divorce. Mrs. Puhek returned to her parents in Omaha.

Dawes County W. C. T. U. CRAWFORD, Neb., May 17 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- The Dawes county Women's Christian Temperance union convention adjourned this afternoon after an interesting session of two days. Seven delegates were present from Chadron. Mrs. C. M. Woodward and Mrs. Abbey G. Dustin represented the state union. A vote of thanks was given these ladies, Mrs. Dustin for her five years of efficient service in the Women's Christian Temperance union, and Mrs. Woodward not only for her work at large, but for the inspiration and help she has given at this convention. The church was crowded with eager listeners to her stirring address hast evening.

State Board of Pharmacy. RED CLOUD, Neb., May 17.-[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-The state board of pharmacy met at the Holland house here today and examined the following named appliday and examined the following named applicants: W. H. Keeney, Campbell: Archie Wilson, Kearney; L. M. Pettit, Fairbury; J. H. Chism, Kearney; Albert Lindley, Red Cloud; W. A. Stillians, Hastings; S. P. Lindley, Red Cloud; Luke Fulkerson, Fremont, J. W. Harper, Mindey; H. E. Harrington, Bertrand; J. C. Cummings, Phillipsburg, Kan,; A. Bennic, Long Island, Kan, A rating will be given as the server committee of the content o will be given on the above examinations as soon as returns can be made by the secretary of the board.

Nebraska Sportsmen's Association. GRAND ISLAND, Neb., May 17 .- | Special Telegram to Tue Bee, |-Every arrangement for the meeting of the Nebraska State Sports men's association is completed. The grounds are only three blocks from the Palmer house and nothing that can add to the convenience and enjoyment of the members or visitors has been spared. Besides the \$600 to be added to purses by the Grand Island Gun club, all the leading business men have donated special awards and prizes. The shoot will commence Tuesday and continue four days. Five thousand live birds have been secured.

Sensation Promised.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., May 17 .- [Special Telegram to Tay Bee. |-Suit has been commenced in the district court by several Chicago grain brokers against James Lewis for several thousand dollars lost in options. It develops, according to Lewis' his agents at Ansley, Neb., Miles and John McCaler, have been frandulently using his name for the purpose of gambling in grain, and of which he had no knowledge. The suit promises to develop a big sensation, as all the parties are prominent in this county

Convicted of Manslaughter. NELSON, Neb., May 17. - Special Telegram to The Bee. |-The jury in the Stevens case brought in a verdict this morning of manslaughter, with imprisonment for five years in the penitentlary. Stevens' lawyers conducted the defense on the ingenious theory that in self-defense Stevens shot Sherman in the back of the neck and waited over a month, until he was arrested, before he ad

mitted the killing. Court adjourned till next Violated A acle Sam's Laws. HASTINGS, Neb. May 17 .- Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- Madame Thompson, proprietress of a house of ill-fame in this city, was amested and taken to Omaha this morning by Depaty United States Marshal Hill for violation of the revenue law in selling wine without posting the license property.

Second Hand Store Robbed. NORFOLE, Neb., May 17. gram to The Bee. |-Bucholz & Reckard's scond hand store was burglarized Thursday evening and \$28 taken from the money drawer while one of the proprietors was in the front part of the store.

From Reform School to Penitentiary NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., May 17.- Special Telegram to The Bee. -Judge Chapman today sentenced Tom Jones, the young burglar who was too much for the reform school officers, to four years in the penitentiary.

IOWA NEWS.

The Supreme Court. DES MOINES, Ia., May 17 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE, | - The following cases were decided by the supreme court this morning: C. S. McVay vs William Manatt, appellant

Keokuk Gaslight and Coke company vs the City of Keokuk; district court of Lee county; Elizabeth McCoy, appellant, vs John Me Dowell; Buchanan district; reserved.
J. V. Benjamin, appellant, vs. Herman
Verth; Pottawattamie district; affirmed.

J. M. Seippel, appellant, vs Stevenson N. Blake et al; an opinion on rehearing. The supreme court adheres to its first decision.

Iowa Crop Bulletin.

Poweshiek district; affirmed.

DES MOINES, Ia., May 17.- Special Telegram to The Beg. |-The state weather crop service reports for the week ending today that the general condition of the crops throughout the state is not encouraging to the hopes of a full yield, but with sensonable rains and temperature during the balance of the summer the harvest may show ample re-turns. Corn planting is generally completed and the seed is germinating. Light frosts appeared in several northern localities on very clear morning of the week, and on the 17th there was a heavy frost, with ice in all parts of the state. The full extent of the amage resulting therefrom is not yet ascer tained, but it is evident that the small fruit and vegetables suffered materially,

Killed by a Bursting Grindstone. STORM LAKE, In., May 17 .- Special Tele gram to THE BEE. |- Lester Hunt, a young man twenty-one years old, was instantly killed by the bursting of a grindstone in a machine she wat Newell in this county.

A Nett rions Crook Arrested. Mason City, La, May 17. - Special Telegram to THE BERG -A detective from Illinois arrived in this city late last night and arrested Ernest Aikens, who is wanted at Apple River other points for hurgiarles committed by He has been shadowed here for severa days, suspected of a more beloous crime. He already served several years in the peni entiary.

Prominent Rookuk Man Dead. KEOKUK, Ia., May 17 - James Lynch un old-time resident of Keckuk, and quite pro-inent in city, county and state affairs, died to-day, aged seventy; seven.

Schooner Ashoge Near Horsehoe Island KINGSTON, Onto a May 17. - It is reported that a three masted inchooner, supposed to be the Jessie Beck or the Grantham, is ashore near Horsehoe island. She is fast going to pieces and it is expected that all hands will

Made Assignments. New York, May 17 .- Max Hellman & Sons and Bretterberg, Hertz & Co., manufacturers of silk ribbons, both made assignments today. The former had preferences of \$7,000 and the latter \$11,000. Judge Drummond's Funeral.

over the remains of the late Judge Thomas Drummond will be held in St. James Episco-pal church, this city, Monday afternoon. Fatal Boiler Explosion. Manseitles, May 17. One of the boilers of

a steamer exploded here today. Three of the crew were killed and four badly injured.

CHICAGO, May 17 .- The funeral services

NOW IS THE TIME TO TRAVEL.

All the Western Roads Cutting Passenger Rates With a Vengeauce.

NO ONE CAN PREDICT THE OUTCOME.

The Condition of Affairs the Worst Ever Known in the History of Railroading in the West.

CHICAGO, May 17 .- [Special Telegram to

THE BEE. |- The reductions in passenger rates today came with almost bewildering rapidity. The Northwestern started the ball going by meeting the \$4 rate between Chicago and St. Paul. The Alton next took a whack at the St. Louis rate by reducing it to \$1 from the present rate of \$7.50. The Wabash and Illinois Central both met this rate. The Burlington next made its bow and announced a rate of \$5 between St. Louis and Denver Pueblo and Colorado Springs, \$2 between St. Louis and Omaha and \$7 between St. Louis and St. Paul. On the heels of this reduction came one from the Atchison, commencing at a \$4 rate between Kansas City and Denver, Pueblo and Colo-rado Springs. This rate is low water mark and reduces the old rate of \$30.65 between and reduces the old rate of \$39.65 between Chicago and Denver to \$7. The Chicago, St. Paul & Kansas City road ended the reduc-tion with one to Des Moines, the effect of which will be to splinter rates in all direc-tions. The rate between Chicago and Des Moines had been \$10.15. The Kansas City road reduced it today to \$3.85. Rates in this erritory had been well maintained. It is in he heart of the northwestern territory of the linois Central, Rock Island, St. Paul and Northwestern roads. All these lines must meet the rate, and it will result in the last vestige of tariff rates being swept away. When it is known that in all the above rates the amount is kept above \$1 only so that the excess can be paid in commissions, it is seen that western passenger rates are in a more demoralized condition than they have ever been in the history of railroading.

THE CARPENTERS.

An Address From the Old Bossses-Plans of the New Union. CHICAGO, May 17 .- [Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-The carpenters' strik today con-

sisted mainly of manifestos by the different parties to the contest. The Carpenters' and Builders' association, better known now as the "old bosses," pre pared this afternoon an address to the strik-

ing carpenters, to which the widest possible publicity and circulation will be given. In substance it is as follows:

substance it is as follows:

"To the Journeymen Carpenters—The result of the so-called settlement of the strike must have convinced you by this time that the victory claimed by your council leaves you in a worse condition than you were in before. Are you going to stand idle and compet us to fill your places with other men? We have waited as long for your return as we can and we call on you once more to resume your positions) effore we fill them all, as we will surely do very soon from the way we are getting men now. We have no desire to flood this town with carpenters, but we will not sit idle with pienty of work or our hunds and thousands of idle men in the country willing to work for us. Will your council buy bread for your families! If so, stay by them; if not, work for us. The Executive Committee of the Carpenters' and Builders Association." and Builders Association."
By this appeal the old bosses hope to win many of the strikers who have not yet secured employment from the new association. The old association has also prepared a "working eard" which it issues to journeymen who ac-cept employment from it now, which prom-

ises the bearer of the card preference of em ployment from the association.

The strikers are not a little worried over the tactics of the new journeymen's union which has been formed of men who refused to connect themselves with any of the twenty three unions affiliated with the carpenters' council. The new organization was organized about two years ago with a membership of only twelve. Today it numbers almost 800 men. The carpenters' council says that the rival union was projected by and is the creature of the esses' association. This is probably so, one of the contractors will confess to any knowledge of the new union. The new union is preparing an address to their fellow craftsmen throughout the country. This address will be issued in a few days. It will set forth the fact that the new trades union of carpenters exists; that it admits to mem bership none but competent mechanics: that it has made a contract—with the Carpentees' and Builders' association whereby the latter organization agrees to give the preference employment to members of the union at bet ter terms than those obtained by the car-penters' council from the new bosses' associa tion, and asks all journeymen carpenters to become members. The ad-dress will institute a comparison between the rival bosses associations and will claim that the older organization can give employment to treble the number of men that the younger association can hire it will maintain that all the conditions de nanded by the carpenters' council have been obtained from the bosses by the new union. It suggests that no journeyman need work

under the opprobrious epithet of "scab" while he can join a strong and successful trades union. BUSINESS MEN'S CONVENTION. Delegates Will Be Present From All

Parts of the State. Reports and communications received by the local branch of the State Business Men's association indicate that the meeting in this city on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of the coming week will be a very successful one. Delegates will be present from all cities and towns where there are local oranches, and a large number of business men will attend from towns in which loc branches have not been organized. The convention has been called for the purpose of organizing a state association for mutual pro-tection and for taking steps to procure the ssage of laws which will be beneficial to

the business community.

A railroad rate of one and one-third fares round trip has been secured, but in order to take advantage of this rate delegates must take a receipt from the agent at their at Omaha. The convention will meet at 2 p. m. on

Tuesday in the board of trade hall and will be addressed by leading citizens. The committee of arrangements, Messrs. Benewa, Hodgin, Heimrod, McLeod and Hussey, appointed by the local branch to provide entertainment for the delegates, have made a canvas of the wholesale houses for funds to defray the expenses and have met with very flattering success. As now ar-ranged, the programme provides for giving the visitors a ride around the city, visiting all the points of interest, including a number of the large manufacturies, stock yards, elecr houses and various other points Wednesday evening the entire number of del rates will be taken to one of the opera houses quet Thursday night.

mittee states that it has been impossible to visit all the jobbers, but they wish it understood that all the jobbers in the city are invited and expected to assist in entertaining the visitors.

Conductors Elect Officers.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., May 19.—At the session of the railway conductors today the election of officers was taken up. On the grand chief conductor three ballots resulted in an election. The officers elected were: Grand chief conductor, E. E. Eckart, Ogden, Utah; grand junior conductor, J. D. Shuffs, Rochester, N. Y.; grand inside sentinel, F. J. Dorsey, Winnipeg; grand outside sentinel, F. L. Butler, Sioux City, Ia.

The next convention will be held at St. The next convention will be held at St.

Louis, that city receiving 125 votes against Sioux City, Ia. 65. Grand Chief Conductor Wheaten declined to be a candidate for re-nomination on account of being opposed to the elimination of the strike clause Weather Crop Bulletin. WASHINGTON, May 17,-The signal service crop bulletin shows that the weather during the week in the northwest, including the

to the low temperature which was accom-panied by frosts, causing some injury to fruit and retarding the growth of the crops, More rain is needed in Kansas and Nebruska, the excassive rainfall in the Ohio attended by cold weather, has retarded

FIRE DAMP EXPLOSION.

Two Men Killed and Fire Raging in

the Mine. WILKESBARRE, Pa., May 17.-An explosion of fire damp occurred this evening at the Empire colliery of the Lehigh Valley and Wilkesbarre coal company. Two men, William Thomas and Robert Crawford, were killed. They were doing some repair work and it is supposed fired the gas. The explosion was a very violent one. It shook the whole mine and set fire to the timbers and at 10 o'clock tonight the fire was raging ficreely. Several other men were in the mine. later after great difficulty were rescued un

The Scotch-Irish Congress

Pittsauno, Pa., May 17 .- Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- Secretary Blaine and Governor Campbell of Ohio, with his full staff, will attend the Scotch-Irish congress here. They will participate in the exercises of unveiling the Garfield monument at Cleveland May 30 and will go from there directly to Pittsburg. where they will both address the congress May 31. President Harrison and cabinet, with a large delegation of congressmen and senators, will also be at Cleveland, and it is hoped all of them will accompany Blaine and Campbell to the congress. A grand military pageant will be given in their honor, and Pittsburg will tender them an ovation. A Texas Editor Assaulted.

Kansas City, Mo., May 47.- [Special Telegram to THE BEL !- A special from Gainsville, Tex., tonight says that E. B. Walker, editor of the Register, was last night assaulted in his office by a deputy marshal, who was accompanied by two other deputies, knocked down and kicked about the head, face and neck in a most brutal manner. He will probably die from the injuries he re-ceived. The three deputies were arrested for the assault and are all in fail. The city of Gainsville is in an uproar of excitement and a lynching may result. The trouble resulted from an article which appeared in the Regis-ter several days ago, in which a number of marshals, including the prisoners, were re ferred to as outlaws.

Poor Marksmanship.

NEW YORK, May 17.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Kate Smith, a handsome little brunnette of twenty-one years, caused great excitement at the Grand Central depot to night by firing two bally aimed pistol shots at Daniel Wilson of Chicago as he was about to take a train. Neither party would make a statement, but it was learned that Wilson had been living with the woman and left her. She demanded that he return to her or give her money for her support. He refused to de either. Wilson ran away, but was caught. The woman was locked up for felonious as-sault and Wilson as a witness. Wilson was well dressed, wore diamonds and had \$400 in

Washington Notes.

Washington, May 17.-The ways and means committee this morning gave a brief hearing to the spirit vinegar men, who submitted a draft of a modification of the exist ing law approved by the commissioner of in-ternal revenue, which imposes a light tax on spirits used in vinegar making with a view to guard against illicit distilling. Heavy pressure is being brought to bear apon the committee by individual members to secure modifications of the schedules in

conflicting sugar interest. New Towns For Dakota.

the bill, but perhaps the greatest is by the

Dranwoon, S. D., May 17.- [Special Telegram to Tun Bun.]-The railroad boom is bringing some new towns to the front. The Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley and the Black Hills & Fort Pierre railroads are lay innetion of the two roads at the Spring ley ranch. A sale of lots takes place May 22, and the fact is creating considerable interest. The location is an excellent one for a town.

Touched an Electric Light Wire. NEW YORK, May 17 .- (Special Telegram to THE BEE. 1-Bastino Ipoldo, an Italian em ployed in a washing house on the third story of 785 Broadway this evening placed his hands upon a live wire of the United States illumination company and a moment later fell to the sidewalk dead,

Freight Agent Cook Resigns. Kansas Cirv, Mo., May 17.-General Freight Agent Cook of the Kansus City, Wyandotte & Northwestern, has resigned that position to become general freight agent

of the Kankakee line.

THE POOR MURDER.

Two Tough Characters 'Arrested on

Suspicion. Last evening Tom McGregor and George W. Bann were arrested on suspicion of having had some connection with the Poor mur-The two men were found secreted in an old shanty on the south bottoms near the river. Both men deny all connection with the affair, but refuse to give any information as to their whereabouts Friday night. Both men bear an unenviable reputation having been in tail a number of charges of robbery. They will be held to await developments.

Heard the Shots. Late last night another party was found who heard the report of the shot that killed

Mrs. George A. Wilcox, who resides on Thirtieth street, about two blocks from the scene of the tragedy, was up with a sick child, and a few minutes past three she heard a shet fired, the sound coming from the direction of the Poor residence. She went to the window, and after standing there a short time saw two men run past her residence and disappear down the street leading to Hanseom park.

Resolutions of Condolence The following resolutions were adopted at a special meeting of the Omaha Laundrymen's association, held Soturday night, May 17: association, near Solurday hight, May 17:
Resolved, That as one of our number, Mr.
Charles S. Poor, has been suddenly taken away
from us, we, the Omaha Laundrymen's association, desire to convey our heartfelt sympainy to his bereaved family at this their time
of deep affliction.

The deceased, our honored treasurer, has
been a member of our association ever since
its formation, and we have always held him in
high esteem as a gentleman and as an upright
business man, and in his death we deeply feel
sur 1985.

SECOND WARD REPUBLICANS.

A Meeting to Discuss the Question of Better School Facilities. The Second ward republican club held its regular annual meeting in Kaspar's hall hat night. There was a full attendance, and after transacting a small amount of routine business the election of officers for the ensuing

rear was held, resulting in the re-election of

the old officers with the exception of the sec-retary, M. F. Redfield being elected to that The question of public schools in the Sec and ward was brought up and a lively discus sion ensued, in which some very pointed re-marks were made. Those present did not hesitate to charge that "the ring" in the school board intended to sunb the Second ward. The action of the board in refusing to mass the clause in the bond proposition pro iding for a new building on the Hartman ite was severely condemned.

It was also stated that even with a new

building there would not be room enough for all the children in the district, but a new milding was needed in the vicinity of Twen-y-fourth and Vinton streets. It was finally decided to call a mass meetng of citizens of the Second ward on next saturday night to take steps to secure proper

school facilities for the Second ward, and appoint a committee to confer with the board of education for that purpose.

The club then went into executive session with closed doors, in which it was resolved that the Second ward must have a representative on the school board. If there was no other way to accomplish this end it was de-cided that a fusion should be made with the states of Missouri and the upper Mississippi valley and the upper lake region was gen-erally unfavorable for growing crops, owing lemocrats of the ward to secure the desired

THE THEATERS.

Gilbert & Sullivan's "Gondollers" may be

fairly pronounced the most successful opera

that those talented English collaborators have yet written. It has not been so widely produced as "Pinafore," but this is because it is duly protected by copyright. The authors, realizing the value of their work, have assigned to certain territory, and in each of the principal cities an authorized company has been presenting "The Gondollers" for periods varying from a month to six months, and always with extraordinary success. Those who have had an opportunity for comparison affirm that of all the productions seen in America that of Manager Henderson's company, which will be seen in this city, far surpasses its contempories in gorgeousness of scenery and costumes, in animation and vivacity, as well as in the excellence of the cast, Miss Louise Montague makes a most sprightly and tuneful heroine. She will be remembered and tuneful heroine. She will be remembered as a most clever actress in burlesque. The comedians of the company are all favorites, Mr. W. S. Daboli having made a particularly great hit as the duke of Plaza Toro, which is said to be one of the fanniest characters ever created by Gilbert. Mr. Charles Drew and Mr. W. H. Flizzerald, who play the two Gondoller monarchs are both comedians of remutation and eleveness. both comedians of reputation and eleverness. Miss Louise Paullin is the Tessa, and her pleasing acting and singing as prima dound with the McCaull company and the Carleton company will be recalled by many opera-goers. Miss Jeanette St. Henry, the Casilda of the cast, is said to be a pretty and pleasing artist. Miss Fannie Edwards, who plays the Duchess, was formerly the leading contralto at Gilbert & Sullivan's own theatre in London. Mr. Joseph Frankau has a diverting role, that of the Grand Inquisitor of Spain, and Mr. Willett Scamau, jr., plays the duke's suite, consisting of one attendant only. The chorus of "The Gondoliers" consists of forty singers. The plot of "The Goodeliers" is by far the most humorous that the mimitable Gilbert has ever evolved. Some of the situations are extremely droll. Of the music, it must be said that critics both in this country dollers" to be Sir Arthur Sullivan's mas-

Another popular priced entertainment is offered at the Grand opera house this evening. McCabe and Young's operatic minstrels will appear in a programme that will appeal strongly to all lovers of refined minstrelay The prices are the most popular of those in-augurated at the Grand -50 and 35 cents for, all orchestra scats; balcony, 25 cents; gallery 15 cents. The house will fill up this evening at these low prices, with such a good, popular-priced attraction as the minstrels will

terpiece.

The people of Omaha will have an oppor tunity on Thursday afternoon and evening next of hearing at the Grand opera holise Master Blatchford Cavanaugh, the phenomenal boy soprano, who has become so which celebrated from his singing in the boy of Grace church, Chicago, Many people have heard him there and they know what a wonderful musical attraction he is No one ever heard "'Way Down Upon the Swanec River" as he sings it. The old, old story of "Bonnie Annie Laurie" is sung by him in a way that forces the silont tears unbidden to many in eye. His voice, at his present youthful age, has about it a freshness and a depth of sweetness that is lacking in the singing of most talented and highly trained prima donnas. The reserved scat-sale will open next Wednesday evening.

Prof. Gentry was here with his great dog show two years ago, and drew the largest an dience ever assembled in the Grand operations. At the matines the house was house. At the matinee the house was packed to overflowing and nearly five hun-dred people were unable to obtain admission. He obtained while in Omaha a dog which he named "Omaha," and this dog has developed into the champion clown dog of the world. He will be a star feature of the entertainment that Prof. Gentry will give at the Grand on Friday and Saturday of next week, with a matines on Saturday. The show has been calcarged by the addition of a number of trained points and it is today, the number of trained ponies, and it is today the grandest show of its kind in the world. The admission is only 15 cents for children, and 25 and 35 cents for adults. The people of Omaha are partial to the

triangles of the benefit are partial to the triangles of the benefit of the well have an admiral DRA Wilher this pastion during Muses. Gorac expense i del 50 per week laid down Manager Lawler will present to his many patrons the famous Elliotts, whom note have ever house to rival on the sent to his many patrons the famous Elliotts, whom none have ever hoped to rival on the bicycle and kindred vehicles. To fame the Elliotts are known as the "Jolly Voyagers," and the family is composed of J. B., Tom, Polly, Kitty, Charlie, Billy, Prince and Baby Elliott. Last week the Elliotts appeared at the Lyceum theater in Chicago, and the ad mission price was \$1, yet at an early hour the sign "standing room only" was hung out. For many years the Elliotts were the great for many years the Emotts were the great feature of Barnum's circus. Plainly they are the acknowleged champion wheelers of the world, and their fancy and trick riding has has never been imitated. The Elliotts perform feats on bicycles, unicycles and kindred wheels that no other performers ever dreamed could be accom-plished. Manager Lawler throws down the gauntlet and offers a challenge of \$10,000 in gold for the equal of the Elliotts. Monday morning a great street parade will take place, led by the renowned Black Hussar band and to witness this a cordial invitation extended to all. The Eden Musee in all departments will fairly teem with good features this week. Twenty clever artists will present an exceptionally good show in one theatre while in the other Culhaue's great comedy company will hold forth.

McCabe & Young's operatic minstrels played to a big sudience at the Grand last night. They give a fairly good show. Two or three things are deserving of praise. The musical feature is excellent, the dancing spiendid and some aerobatic exhibitions flue enough to merit commendation. The first part, which introduced Billy Young, George Jackson, John Brewer and Walter Dickson as end men, was greatly enjoyed. George Jackson made the hit of the evening with his funny business. He is by no means a poor comedian. Master Prince McCabe, the young vocalist, also caught the audience for two encores. He has a strong and quite musical voice. In his specialty act programmed "Just Plain George Jackson, that's — * All," this fun maker won the admiration of every spectator. The performance ended every spectator. The performance ended with an exhibition of drum majors, in which twelve performers went through a remarka

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

James Dobbin of Wayne is at the Casey. W. C. Barnes of Nebraska City is regis-Charles Spencer of Plattsmouth was at the

William Wade of Louisville was in the city Mrs. W. H. Harrison of Fremont is regisered at the Millard. K. K. Hayden of Lincoln is a guest at three

O. B. Nicodemus of Fremont is at the Mil-

A. J. Finlayson of Blair was at the Millard Gotlieb Storz of the Storz & Her's brewing company, left for Washington vesterday to attend the annual convention of the Brewing association of the United States. He will stop at Chicago en route to visit friends.

A. B. Todd of Plattamouth was at the Pax H. Gibbons of Kearney is a guest at the H. H. Robinsan of Kimball is registered at

J. W. Love of Fremont is at the Puxton.

the Paxton. E. M. Gibson of Clarks is at the Murray. John W. Harper and wife of Beatrice are icats of the Murray

M. D. Welch of Lincoln was in the city Dr. Birney, the catarrh specialist, is spend-

Sunday in Lincoln. Will H. Roung, formerly at Cook's shoe store, but for the past three years in California, is again back at the old store and will be glad to see his old friends. Governor Thayer was in the city yester-

Succeeds Stuyvesant Fish.

CHICAGO, May 17 .- William Barlen, westem agent of the Pennsylvania railway, was elected this afternoon to the vacancy in the world's fair directorate caused by the resignation of Stavvesant Fish, president of the Illinois Central.